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Applicant:

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RESPONSE TO A RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D. C. 20231

July 11, 2002

Sir:

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TC 1700 In response to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement dated June 12, 2002, the following election and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the aboveidentified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Applicants hereby elect Group I consisting of claims 1-10 for initial examination in this application. This election is with traverse.

REMARKS

Applicants thank the Examiner for the thorough consideration given the present application. Claims 1-19 are currently being prosecuted. The Examiner is respectfully